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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

- 1. PLEASE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA FROM PRESIDENT FORD.

  QUOTE: DEAR MR. PRES-DENT: ON THE JOYOUS OCCASION OF YOUR

  CELEBRATION OF ID AL-FITR, I TAKE PLEASURE IN EXPRESSING,

  ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, OUR WARMEST GREETINGS AND

  SINCERE GOOD WISHES TO YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF TUNISIA. MY

  GOVERNMENT REMAINS DEDICATED TO STRENGTHENING THE TIES

  BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES, WELCOMING AND ADMIRING YOUR WISE

  LEADERSHIP OVER THESE MANY YEARS. MAY YOU, MR. PRESIDENT,

  AND THE PEOPLE OF TUNISIA CONTINUE TO ENJOY THE FULL BLESS
  INGS OF PEACE AND HAPPINESS. WITH PERSONAL BEST WISHES,

  GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE.
- 2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE MESSAGE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT WISHES TO DO SO. HABIB

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